

Meadow Hills Water and Sewer District Board of Directors-Regular Meeting
Minutes
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Minutes taken by Kim Anderson

Present: Art Kruger, President; Kim Anderson, Secretary; Bob Stanley, Member

Absent: Larry Doty, Member, Nick Rodriguez, Vice President

1. Call to order at 7:06 pm by Art.
2. Public Comment Period
 - a. No comments.
3. Approval of minutes of last session
 - a. Art moved to approve and Bob second. No discussion. Passed unanimously.
4. President Report:
 - a. See Open Issues
5. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. MHWSO Whitefish Credit Union -- \$67,719.62
 - b. MHWSO First Interstate Bank -- \$3,697.88
 - c. P&Ls from Bryan Gilbertson made available to Board.
6. Committee Reports:
 - a. All committee functions are handled by the board at large and details when applicable can be found below.

Open Issues

7. Water main connection complete with the exception of landscaping restoration at 499 Yodelin Ridge Rd. Bid received and will be scheduled for spring 2022.
8. WSD secured initial approval for ARPA funds through Flathead County and the State of Montana. Step 1 of the Application is now due by 11/01/22. More information can be found at <https://flathead.mt.gov/finance/downloads.php>. Mark is putting together bids and scope of work proposals with a target for application to be ready in November. Bob and neighbor Sue Green will lead the application process.
9. Deterioration of cinder block around reservoir noted. Review indicates the reservoir needs eventual repair/replacement as well. Bids received and range from \$50-100K. Mark meeting with Root Masonry for repair options and will inform the board for vote on remediation/repair plan.
10. Art suggests that we build some credit history for planned or unexpected costs to be ready should we need capital. Art's research resulted in borrowing money and establishing credit would not be as advantageous as pursuing grants at this time. (Item closed. See #11.)
11. Look into possible grant writing companies to facilitate funding for upcoming expenses/needs. Kim and Art met with grant writing firm that provided free consultation and recommended looking at Flathead County grant writers and

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another grant work firm specializing in municipalities and water districts. Kim will contact that firm. Bob and Art will look at connecting with Flathead County grant writers.

New Business

12. Mark Munsinger is retiring and the District needs to secure a new water operator. He recommends Gavin Pirrie who he will be training to take his business. Board agreed that this is the best course of action due to difficulty finding another water operator who understands our system and/or who has availability to take on clients. Transition will take place during the remainder of 2022 and Gavin will take over in 2023. (Item closed.)

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm by Art. Bob seconds.

Next Meetings

No Regular July Meeting

WSD Annual Meeting July 28th, 2022 7-8 pm

Strategic Planning Session Postponed New Date TBD